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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: International Health, Education and Labor Programs

1. In the Congressional Record of 20 February 1968, Senator Ralph Yarborough announced the establishment of a special subcommittee, under the Labor and Public Welfare Committee, to be called the Special Subcommittee on International Health, Education and Labor Programs. Members of the Subcommittee will be Senators Morse, Pell, Javits and Prouty with Senator Yarborough as Chairman.

2. The first order of business is the consideration of S.1779 which "establishes an international health, education, and labor program to provide open support for private, nongovernmental activities in the fields of health, education, and labor, and other welfare fields." This is one of many bills introduced in the wake of the National Student Association disclosures and concerned with providing mechanisms for funding the overseas activities of private organizations.

3. Mr. Robert Harris, Assistant Counsel for the full Committee, has invited Agency comments on an informal basis on S.1779 and the comments of the DD/P, DD/S and DD/I have been requested in this connection.

4. Section 7 of S.1779 sets forth prohibition against requiring intelligence gathering from recipients of grants.

"Sec. 7. No department, agency, officer, or employee of the United States shall request or require any recipient or any other beneficiary of any grant made under this Act to obtain, furnish, or report, or cause to be obtained, furnished, or

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reported, any information relating, directly or indirectly, to any activity supported by such grant, except as is (1) provided by section 4(b) of this Act or (2) authorized under law in the case of any information directly relating to the violation of any criminal law of the United States by such recipient or beneficiary."

It appears that the sweeping language of Section 7 has an impact on current Agency programs such as DCS debriefings of returning travelers and raises obstacles to those interested in determining which information and which individuals are within the scope of the prohibited activities.

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